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In re Application of	:	Customer Number: 53080
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Akio KOJIMA, et al.	:	Confirmation Number: 7620
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Application No.: 10/050,175	:	Group Art Unit: 2625
	:	Allowed: March 09, 2007
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For: DATA TRANSFER METHOD, IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD, DATA TRANSFER SYSTEM AND IMAGE PROCESSOR		

REQUEST FOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE CITED ART

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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the documents listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that the documents be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the documents be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed more than three months after the U.S. filing date AND after the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits, but before the mailing date of a Final Rejection or Notice of Allowance.

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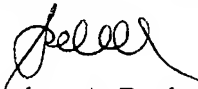
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The references were cited in a corresponding Japanese Office Action and its relevance is discussed therein. A copy of the Japanese Office Action, together with an English language version thereof, is attached for the Examiner's information.

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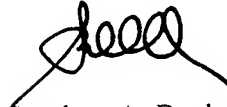
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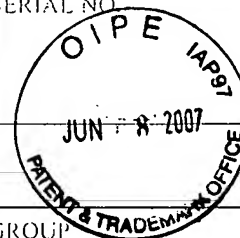
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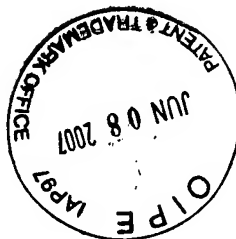
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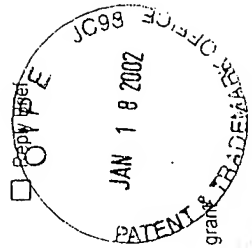
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